

Time Scale



120,742

accepted compensation claims for work-related injury and illness in truck drivers

These injuries and diseases resulted in the loss of productive working time totalling

1,071,230
Weeks

OR

22,317
Years

545

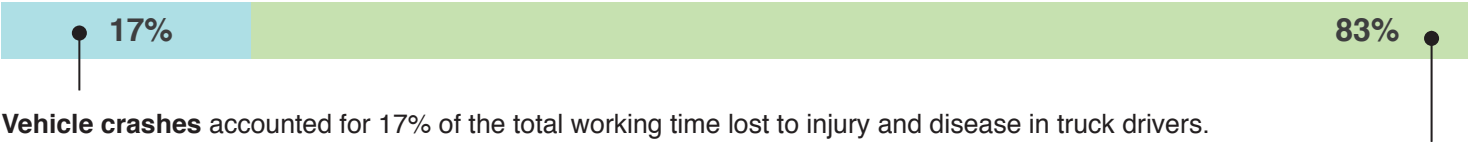
Compensated fatalities among truck drivers over this period.

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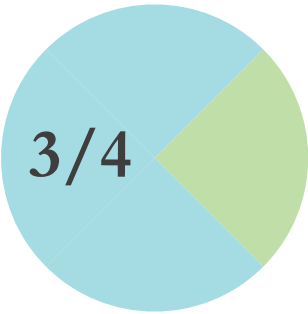
Truck drivers had a 13 fold higher risk of dying at work than other Australian workers.

VEHICLE CRASHES

OTHER CAUSES



Vehicle crashes accounted for 17% of the total working time lost to injury and disease in truck drivers. 83% arose from injury and disease caused by musculoskeletal and psychological stress, falls, slips and trips and **other causes**.



More than three quarters of work-related deaths in truck drivers were due to vehicle crashes.

65+

Drivers over 65 years were at the highest risk of work-related injury and disease, and took much longer off work than younger drivers when injured.

The most common type of injury in truck drivers was musculoskeletal injury (such as back pain). Drivers with these injuries took 5 weeks off work.

5 wks

Mental health conditions were less common, but drivers with such conditions took more than 10 weeks off work.

10 wks